

I write today in support of LCs 17, 18, 19, and 20. These pieces of legislation are important to me because we need to improve accountability and transparency in law enforcement. Having witnessed the complete lack of both when federal agents were in Bend enforcing immigration law, it is clear to me that we must do what we can at the state level to keep our law enforcement in service and protection of everyone who calls Oregon home. When we limit the force law enforcement can use and how they must account for their responses to incidents, we significantly limit the likelihood that they will cause undue harm to people of color and everyone in our communities. Hear the voices of marginalized communities and those of us most impacted by broken law enforcement and criminal justice systems; advance and pass these four bills.

Thank you,

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